(c) All the States/Union Territories have been advised to conduct a survey on the status of drinking water supply in rural habitations covering all aspects like supply of drinking water as per the norms, partially covered habitations, the extent of quality and quantity problems encountered by the rural population in these habitations, requirement of drinking water for village level institutions, cattle etc.

(d) Preparatory action has been taken by the States/Union Territories to conduct the survey ,the results of which are expected to be available in two phases by end of March, 1992 and on water quality analysis by June/July, 1992.

[*Translation*]

Drinking Water Shortage in Urban Areas of Madhya Pradesh

2159. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received a scheme from the Government of Madhya Pradesh to be funded with the World Bank loan in order to remove the acute shortage of drinking water in urban areas of the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Development of Desert Prone and Drought affected areas of Rajasthan

2160. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Rajasthan have submitted any scheme to the Union Government for the development of desert prone and drought affected areas of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c). The information is being collected.

[*English*]

Inclusion in Desert Development Programme

2161. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Rajasthan have submitted any memorandum to the Planning Commission for including Udaipur, Ajmer, Jaipur and Sirohi districts under the Desert Development Programme,

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have received such memoranda from other states also; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The Govenment of Rajasthan have submitted a memorandum to the National Committee set up for the appraisal of Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and Desert Development Programme (DDP) for inclu-